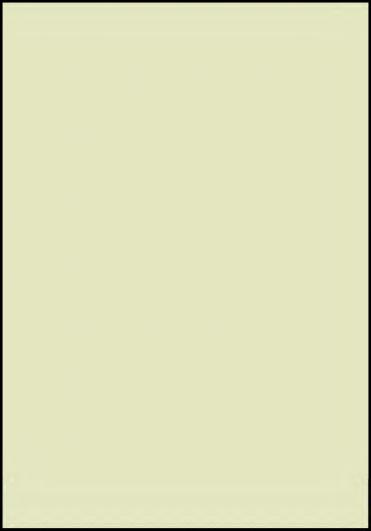
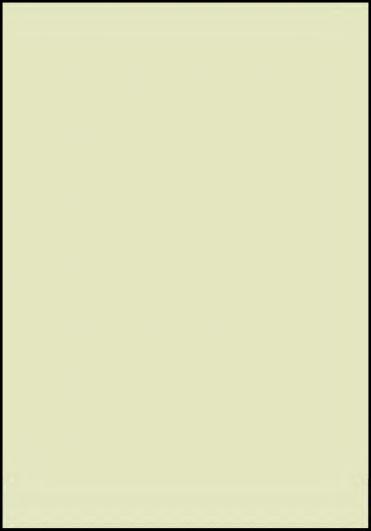
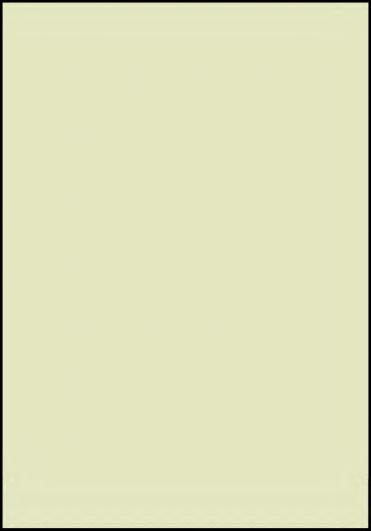


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DEDICATION

We, the Annual Staff, wish to dedicate this yearbook to our new school. May the many already established customs and traditions of the old school continue to serve us in our new school; such as Homecoming, the loyalty we feel when our school song is played, our unwavering school spirit, the yearly Honor Day, the pride we have in our school, and our record of good sportsmanship.

"Be a lady" and "Be a gentleman" are the guiding principles of our school. Let us use these as guides for our future so that we may make

this world a better place in which to live.







STUDY HALL (Period 3), MRS, COOK

The study hall has a seating capacity of 135. In the rear of the study hall is the library which contains over 4,000 volumes, classified under the Dewey Decimal System. One hundred dollars per year is spent on subscriptions to current magazines. The library contains four sets of encyclopedias, a vertical file service, Readers' Guide, pamphlets, career monograms, and college catalogue.



Miss Moehlman, Librarian Jerrylynn Dewell, Student Asst.



In the SOCIAL STUDIES department, World History, United States History, Government, and Economics are taught. Mr. Beck, Mr. Stanczak, and Mr. Bunce are the instructors.

Mr. Stanczak is shown lecturing to his Government class,

The ENGLISH and FOREIGN LANGUAGE departments are extensive. Mrs. Blum, Miss Ellspermann, and Mr. Burnett teach many subjects, including four semesters of grammar, four semesters of literature, one semester of Senior Composition, two years of French, two years of Latin, and one year of Specto.

Mrs. Blum translates a French Christmas Carol for her French 11 Class.

Mrs. Faulkenburg and Mr. Fiscus teach MATHEMATICS. Offerings are: Algebra, Advanced Algebra, Plane Geometry, Stid Geometry, Trigonometry, and General Mathematics

The solution of a geometric problem is being proved by Mrs. Faulkenburg.

The SCIENCE department is equipped with new desks and laboratory equipment. Mr. Fiscus, Mr. Evrard, and Mr. Bunce teach the science classes, such as: Biology, Physics, and Chemistry.

The Wimshurst or electro-static machine is being demonstrated by Kay O'Rourke.







The BUSINESS EDUCATION subjects are taught by Mrs. Pease, Mr. Reed, Mr. Bunce, and Mr. Sanders, Subjects included in the business field are: Typing, Shorthand, Bookkeeping, Clerical Procedure, Business Law, and Salesmanship.

The photograph shows a group of students in one of the typing classes,

The sewing department, one of the HOME ECONOMICS subjects taught, is supplied with 18 newsewing machines, a full-length mitror, and a special fitting room. Three semesters of sewing and one semester of Home Management are taught by Mrs. Cook.

Six new kitchens, complete with stove, sink and extensive cabinet space, are the focal points of the cooking department of HOME ECONOMICS. Two chrome tables, each with four matching chairs, complete this room, Miss Beanblossom teaches the foods work.

The ARTS AND CRAFTS department offers subjects to fill any need or ability. Courses offered are: Sketching, Clothes Designing Metal Enamel Work, Ceramics, Weaving, and Block Printing. Many other phases of art are taught by Mr. Wilson.

SCHOOL BOARD



Seated: Mr. Arthur W. Govert, President; Mr. Howard Nasby, Treasurer; Mr. William O. Rist, Secretary. Standing: Mr. Albert Turner, School Architect; Mr. Clarence Davis, Lawyer; Mr. Frank A. Van Slyke, Superintendent.

The duties of the School Boardinclude making and administering the school policies, taking responsibility for the school budget, employing the Superintendent of schools, and most important, representing our community.

The members of the School Board are appointed for a three year term by the Town Board. Our present School Board is now serving its second term.

The School Board must keep up-to-date on nationwide educational developments and trends, since many of their decisions rest upon an awareness of national conditions.

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CLASS



BEST LEADERS Mary Ann Mussatt Ronnie Cox



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED Judy Branch David Ryckman



BEST DRESSED Elizabeth Verosik Chuck Franklin





CHOICE



MOST POPULAR Jo Ann Sutherin Guy Holmes



BEST SENSE OF HUMOR Rochelle Stockwill Bill Grinini





BEST DANCERS Betty Dertow Bill Bennett



SENIOR ALBUM



Our Seniors are now on the threshold of their futures, looking forward, and yet glancing back. This is the busiest year, full of activities and cherished memories. This is the year of: caps and gowns, announcements and pictures, the Senior Gift, the last PROM and the last BANQUET, and decision on our futures. This is COMMENCEMENT!

OFFICERS



Seated: Phyllis Cook, Secretary; Mary Ann Mussatt, President; Elizabeth Verosik, Treasurer. Standing: Mr. Stanczak, Sponsor; Ronnie Cox, Vice-President.

JOHN DOUGLAS ADELSPERGER: Art Club; Intramurals.

JAMES L. AHRENS: Chorus, President; Football; Boy's Octet; Mixed Quartet; Science Club; Photography Club.

RONALD AUSTGEN: Football; Baseball; Basketball; Lettermen's Club; Prom Committee.







NANCY LOU BACKS: G. A. A.; Y-Teens; Attendance Award; Dance Club; Pen Pal Club,

ROY BAILEY: Science Club; Attendance Award for 3 years.





EDMUND G. BANNON, JR.: Football; Baseball; Lettermen's Club, Secretary; Panther Press; Cadet Teacher; Attendance Award; Intramural Champs.

FRANK BARNETT: Track; Baseball; Basketball; Cross Country; Intramurals; Lettermen's Club,





ERNEST E. BARTHOLOMEW: Basketball; Track; Football; Cross Country-Lettermen's Club; PA System; Chess Club; Attendance Award; Intramurals.

RALPH EMERSON BENBOW: Football; Lettermen's Club; Intramurals; Chorus; Chess Club; Dance Club.





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IRIS BLACK: G. A. A.; Glee Club; Chorus; Sewing Club; Pen Pal Club; Junior Red Cross.

KENNETH BODNAR: Attendance Award 2 years.













Club; Jr. Red Cross.

JUDY BRANCH: "MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED;" Yearbook Editor; Girls' State; Honor Society, Secretary; Cadet Teacher; Y-Teens; G. A. A.; F. T. A.; Tri Kappa Award for 2 years.

BARBARA A. BRILL: Glee Club; Y-Teens; Sewing Club; Dance Club; Jr. Red Cross.

ROBERT W. BROWN: Wrestling,



CAROL CAMPBELL: Sewing Club; Jr. Red Cross; Attendance Award; G. A. A. BARBARA JEAN CASEY: G. A. A.; Magazine Subscription Award; Sewing



DARLA CONES: G. A. A.; Library Club; Dance Club,

PHYLLIS MARILYN COOK: Jr.-Sr. Class Secretary; Girls' Council, Secretary; Student Council; G. A. A.; Cadet Teacher; Lettermen's Queen.



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RICHARD D. CROWEL: Football; Track; Band; Intramural Champs; Cadet Teacher; Math Club; Dance Club; Stamp Club.





DAVID CLARK DALE: Band, Vice-Pres. 2 years; Drum Major; Intramurals; Dance Club; Science Club.

ROBERT DALLMAN: Chorus; Pen Pal Club; Dance Club,

BETTY DERTOW: "BEST DANCER;" Chorus; G. A. A.; Panther Press; Mixed Quartet; Intramurals; Jr. Red Cross.

JACK DOBYNS: Football; Lettermen's Club; Intramurals; Science Club; Treas; Dance Club; Stamp Club; Projectors' Club.

DENNIS DOLAK: "BEST ATHLETE;" Football; Basketball; Baseball; Lettermen's Club; Treas.; Intramural Champs; "Most Valuable Player '54"; Student Council.

NORMA EASTWOOD; Glee Club; Chorus; Jr. Red Cross.

DARLENE EDWARDS; Chorus; Y-Teens; Home Ec. Club; Pen Pal Club; Post Card Club.

LORRAINE FAULKNER: Honor Society; Glee Club; Attendance Award 2 yrs.; English Contest; Library Club; Dance Club; Math Club.

LARRY FITZSIMONS: Library Club; Pen Pal Club.

FREDERICK L. FOSS: Football; Basketball; Manager; Math Award 2 yrs.; Lettermen's Club; Chorus; Chess Club.

PHYLLIS JEAN FRANCIS: Band Majorette; Y-Teens; Math Club.

CHARLES W. FRANKLIN: "Best DRESSED;" Football; Lettermen's Club; Baseball; lntramurals; Prom Committee Chairman; Chess Club; Dance Club; Stamp Club.

JOANN FRITZ: Jr. Red Cross; Camera Club; Chorus; Glee Club; Monitor.

JAMES GATLIN: Dance Club; Chess Club.

HOMER GATLIN, JR.: Football; Track; Intramurals; Lettermen's Club; Dance Club; Math Club; Attendance Award; Shop Foreman.































MARILYNN EDNA GEBERT: G. A. A.: Chorus; Glee Club; Y-Teens; Attendance Award for 2 years; Jr. Red Cross; Intramurals.

MATTHEW GORSICH: Football; Track; Basketball; Baseball; "MOST VALUA-BLE PLAYER OF '53"; Lettermen's Club; Pres.; Sophomore Class Treasurer.

JANET GOVERT: Prom Queen; G. A. A.; Sports Head; Girls' Council; Student Council; Jr. Red Cross; Carnival Queen Attendant; Intramurals.



THOMAS GOVERT: Cross Country; Baseball; Intramurals; Lettermen's Club; Math Club; Dance Club; Library Club.

ALLEN GREEN: Football; Basketball; Baseball; Lettermen's Club; Boy's Octet; Intramurals; Science Club; Chess Club.



RAYMOND GREEN: Football; Baseball; Basketball; Lettermen's Club; Dance Club; Science _.ub; Intramurals.

CARLEEN GREENE: Library Club; Pen Pal Club; Panther Press.



JOHN GREGOR; Football; Baseball; Lettermen's Club; Prom Committee; Monitor; Chess Club; Dance Club.

WILLIAM R. GRIMM; "BEST SENSE OF HUMOR;" Art; Crafts; Chorus; Chess Club; Dance Club.







MARY LOUISE GRISCOM: G. A. A.; Girls' Council; Jr. Red Cross; Y-Teens; Intramurals; Sewing Club; Science Club; Hockey

ADRIA ANN GULLICKSON: G. A. A.; Chorus; Jr. Red Cross; Dance Club.

RICHARD HARBRECHT: Band Chess Club; Projectors' Club; Dance Club. DON DUANE HAUTSCH: "BEST ART-IST;" Boys' State; Cross Country; Intramurals; Student Council; Sophomore Class; President; Dance Club; Chess Club.

MARY ANN HILBRICH: Cheerleader; G. A. A.; Panther Press; Bluettes; Dramatics Club; Secretary; Student Council; Glee Club; Lettermen's Queen.

NORMAN C. HOLMES: "MOST POP-ULAR;" All-Conference; Football; Basketball; Lettermen's Club; Vice-President; Student Council; Sophomore Class President.

GRACIELEE JAMES: Lettermen's; G. A. A.; Office Assistant; Intramurals; Girls' Council; Library Club; Secretary; Dance Club,

JO ALLYN JANZIG: Office Assistant; G. A. A.; Girls' Ensemble; Library Club; Student Council; Y-Teens; G. A. A. Initiation Committee,

MARY ANN JASEK: Chorus; G. A. A.; Y-Teens; Intramurals; Attendance Award, Dance Club.

DEAN JENKINS: Football; Lettermen's Club; Library Club; Pen Pal Club.

GERALD L. KELLAMS; Band; Library Club; Intramurals.

JOHN KELLERMAN: Chorus; Boys' Octet; Monitor; Salesmanship Award.

RONALD KOEDYKER; Football; Lettermen's Club; Intramurals; Attendance Award; Chorus; Dance Club.

GEORGE RICHARD LA NOUE: Football; Track; Annual Sports Editor; Lettermen's Club; President of Honor Society; President of Freshman Class; Vice-President of Junior Class.

MARY FRANCES LANTRIP: Dance Club; Library Club.















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DARLENE LILLY: G. A. A.; Y-Teens; Student Council; F. T. A.; Secretary and Treasurer; Library Club; Attendance Award for 2 years; Glee Club; Dance Club.

RITA MARIE MANN: Chorus; Intramurals; Art Club; Dance Club.

DONALD MARKWALDER: Basketball; Dance Club; Intramurals,

IRENE MATTINGLY: G. A. A.; Glee Club; Chorus; Bluettes; Jr. Red Cross; Attendance Award; Dance Club; Sophomore Class Secretary.

MARY ANN McGEE: Dramatics Club; Pres.; G. A. A.; Bluettes; Chorus; Dance Club; Girls' Council; Jr. Red Cross; Intramurals,



PATRICK McKEOWN: Band; Boys' State Alternate; Science Club; Dance Club.

NORMAN R. MOORE: Assistant Shop Foreman.



DONALD J. MORGAN: Football; Track; Basketball; Lettermen's Club; Cross Country; Student Council; Freshmen Class Vice-President; Intramurals.

WALTER MOSE: Library Club; Assistant Shop Foreman; Projectors' Club.





RICHARD MUNIER: Chorus; Boys' Octet; Mixed Quartet; Math Club; Camera Club; Dance Club.

MARILYN MURRAY: G. A. A.; Intramurals; Cadet Teacher; Jr. Red Cross; Dance Club; Pen Pal Club.

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SHEILA MARIAN NOVOTNY: "BEST ARTIST;" Art Club; Chorus; Dance Club.

PATRICIA ANN NYQUIST: G. A. A.; Y-Teens; Magazine Award; Sewing Club; Dance Club.

CAROL JEAN ORBAN: Y-Teens; Glee Club; Outing Club; Music Listening Club.

WILLIAM STEPHEN ORBAN: Basketball; Baseball; Cross-Country; Intramurals; Attendance Award 4 years; High Magazine Salesman; Art Award; Chess Club,

KAY ANN O'ROURKE: G. A. A.; Chorus; Secretary and Treasurer; Annual Staff; Girls' Council; Cadet Teacher; F. T. A.; Lab-Assistant; 2nd, in Solo-Ensemble Contest.

WALTER PARKER: Football; Intramurals; Lettermen's Club; Band; Photography Club; Dance Club.

GLADYS PENNY: Dramatics; Y-Teens; Student Council; Chorus.

ROBERT J. PFISTER: Intramurals; Projectors' Club; Dance Club.

DWIGHT A. PHILLIPS: Football; Lettermen's Club; Gem Club; Speech Club.

MARTIN PISUT: Football; Basketball; Baseball; Intramural Champs; All-Conference; Lettermen's Club; Baseball; Attendance Award.

JOAN M. PITT: G. A. A.; Y-Teens; Glee Club; Library Club; Pen Pal Club.































MARY CATHERINE REDER; Outing Club; Dance Club; Jr. Red Cross.

ADRIENNE ROEHRICK: Chorus; Y-Teens; Vice-Pres.; G. A. A.; Girls' Council; Student Council.

MARILYNN ROSS: G. A. A.; Glee Club; Treas.; Chorus; Y-Teens; Office Helper; Intramurals; Attendance Award for 2 years; Dance Club; Sewing Club.



DAVID B. RYCKMAN: "MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED;" Football; Track; Intramurals; Lettermer's Club; Panther Press; Honor Society; Band; Boys' State; Cadet Teacher.

JOYCE MARLENE SABINA: G. A. A.; Chorus; Girls' Council; Panther Press; F. T. A.; Treasurer; Intramurals; Solo-Ensemble Contest; Attendance Award.



MICHAEL SABO: Football; Wrestling; Lettermen's Club; Intramurals; Jr.-Sr. Class Pres.; Dyer; Yearbook; Dyer.

ELIZABETH ANN SCHAUSS: Honor Society; G. A. A.; Intramurals; Jr. Red Cross; Dance Club; Sewing Club.



SANDRA LEE E. SCHMIDT: Cheerleader; G. A. A.; Intramurals; Glee Club; Sec. and Treas.; Chorus; Student Council; Dance Club; Attendance Award.

ROBERT SCHUMANN: Dance Club; Projectors' Club; Intramurals; Basketball; Photography Club; Shop Foreman.



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RONALD SCOFIELD: Chorus; Chess Club; Dance Club.

NANCY GENE SHADDICK: Y-Teens; Cadet Teacher; Assistant Librarian; Pen Pal Club.

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WILLIAM FRANKLIN SWEENEY: Cross Country; Intramurals; Lettermen's Club; Student Council; Dance Club; Chess Club.

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PATRICIA TENNANT: G. A. A.; Intramurals; Office Help 4 yrs.; Chorus; Y-Teens; Sewing Club; Dance Club; Attendance Award 2 years.

TOM THONE: Projectors' Club; Dance Club; Hi-Y.

CAROL JEAN TIGNOR: G. A. A.; Dra-matics Club; Chorus; Glee Club; Library Club; Dance Club; Attendance Award 2 years.













EUGENE ARTHUR TROXELL: Intramurals; Dancing Club.

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MARILYN SUE VILLARS: Panther Press; Library Club; Pen Pal Club; Attendance Award







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SHIRLEY ANA WAGMAN: G. A. A.; Library Club; Library Assistant; Dance Club; Attendance Award 3 years.





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CLASS PROPHECY

No crystal ball in which to peer, Or cards will help us read The futures of ye - 55's Your hopes, your dreams, your deeds,

But we have planned your futures all, With courage and with zeal; But if they're true-you cannot know, 'Till you spin Dame Fortune's wheel.

DOBYNS is sailing the seven seas in search of Moby

C. GREENE has a teen hangout where she sells large pretzel sticks.

TROXELL has a pool hall, complete with crooked cues; R. WELLS is a sharp reporter hunting for some news,

MATTINGLY owns a chain of pharmaceutical stores; But BROWN is out of luck as he hunts for a spouse on foreign shores.

RYCKMAN is a tycoon at mining engineering: MOSE'S trial for bigamy is beginning public hearing.

KOEDYKER has a track where he can race safe from

McKEOWN sells mad comics in his book and magic shop.

JANZIG is having trouble keeping track of her diamond TURNOUIST has a TV show, on which she always sings.

TENNANT is a nurse working hard to clean up Skid

While STROSS is in Hollywood worrying Marilyn Monroe,

JASEK is having trouble keeping all the kids in shoes; As KELLAMS labors bodily, in his day, but hasn't lost his ability to snooze.

HARDER is in basketball starring for the Nicks; CAMPBELL is a teacher helping educate the Kids in the sticks.

HOLMES is playing football, a greatly publicized fullback; SUTHERIN stays at home to tuck their ten kids in the sack.

R. GREEN has lost his false teeth, and when he talks he whistles:

ADELSPERGER is a scientist designing guided missiles.

SZURGOT'S slaving feverishly to keep wolves from the door. Unsatisfied with what he makes, GOVERT cries for more.

PISUT has a hot Ford, a 1912 with duels; MOORE is still with CO-OP, selling jet propelled farm

tools.

ROEHRICK'S modeling fur coats, on late TV show; FIT ZSIMMONS has a new car; it's fast, and vet it's slow,

VAN HORSSEN is a wrestler competing with the best; While FRANCIS twirls her gold baton with lots of zim and zest,

Taking off in KELLERMAN'S car, it's not long till you're out of sight; While PHILLIPS is an orator, debating women's rights.

CASEY has herself a man, Could this be strike three? VOREIS commands some rusty ships that sail the choppy seas.

SCHUMANN sells his brother plots, in which to place the dead men; SABO is headed for Penn. State.

NOVOTNY has an art studio. I hear it's quite the thing; AHRENS is an opera star; man, can he sing?

PFISTER is a boxer; he acts a little punch drunk; WALKER thinks she's got a bite: if she can't hook'em. she's sunk,

VILLAR'S eyes go crazy when she gets a wee bit flustered: BODNAR sells hot dogs, complete with catsup, relish,

and mustard. BACKS has herself a class in Home Ec .: SCHAUSS has worked hard, and is now competing with

Beck. MURRAY is still slaving at Griffith's five and dime: While MUNIER as a hot rod, just paid his hundredth fine.

MYERS is a chemist working hard at cracking oils; LANTRIP is a housewife who works, sweats, and toils,

McGEE is a model and is rolling in the dough; BLACK is up on Broadway starring in some great dramatic show,

WOOD is still in Highland striving as a wife; O'NEAL is a star reporter working hard for life.

FAULKNER has a grocery store selling pork and beans; CONES is trying to hook a man, but has not yet found a means.

NYQUIST, blond haired, lost her man, so she's converted it to black:

SHADDICK'S making millions in New York driving her vellow hack.

EDWARDS and EASTWOOD are partners in a business

SIEGEL is a dancing success and you should see her squirm.

BRILL is a great psychologist dealing mostly with small kids:

REDER is a TV comedian; her jokes flip people's lids.

WAGMAN has a couple of kids that really keep her hopping;

WAGGONER'S in the same situation; and for baby clothes she's shopping.

GEBERT has her own troubles worrying about her riches; FRITZ'S trouble is telling five kids "There ain't such things as witches,"

C. ORBAN is a woman hermit living far up in the hills; MANN has her own large troubles over how to meet her bills.

GULLICKSON is a female architect designing modern skyscrapers.

PITT has yet to calm down and stop her nightly capers.

STOCKWILL is a millionaire hording all her money:

STOCKWILL is a millionaire hording all her money; While PENNY is a bee farmer and is raising gobs of honey.

COX is a caveman at dear old Wabash; SCOFIELD is a speculator hoping for a crash.

ZIMMERMAN'S an actress, star of the silver screen; While Eddie Fisher's been replaced by the voice of AL GREEN.

TIGNOR'S a lady wrestler, the roughest in the ring; JENKINS found a birdfood to make flamingoes sing.

AUSTGEN, the electrician, has patented his new fuse; GRIMM is in Tahiti, selling cars slightly used.

SWEENEY runs a pool hall, of national fame; GREGER'S a fighting Irishman playing for Notre Dame.

THONE builds airplanes for supersonic speed; GRISCOM is an author that critics pay great heed.

MUSSATT'S the heroine of her species-the first woman president;

BENBOW has made millions, selling his father's Pepsodent.

GOVERT is a card shark playing with five aces; DOLAK leads the White Sox with fifty stolen bases.

BARNETT is a bookie, winning every bet; BRANCH is the editor of the Hong Kong Gazette.

SUROVIAK runs a pizza shop; there is no competition; MARKWALDER runs a race track and keeps in condition.

LA NOUE is coaching football at Slippery Rock State Teachers;

N. WELLS got married to a rising young preacher.

FRANKLIN owns an Italian farm with the first spaghetti trees; VEROSIK is teaching their fourteen kids the A's, the B's,

and C's.

HOMER GATLIN is down at old Purdue, a Boilermake

HOMER GATLIN is down at old Purdue, a Boilermaker end;

And ROSS, now married, sits at home with stockings she must mend,

HARBRECHT plays a trumpet in his own hot dance band; While BENNETT is a poor truck driver who hauls big loads of sand,

FRED FOSS has stopped all flirting; for that his wife is glad;

glad; And when DERTOW models a new style dress, it becomes a fad.

O'ROURKE isteaching spelling to the children of grade three; ROY BALLEY is a famous mortician and is busy as a bee.

BOB DALLMAN is very wealthy and owns great tracts

of land; DAVID DALE is down at old 1. U.; he's drum major of the band.

VAN DER VORT married a millionaire and now has lots of money.

of money;
And CROWEL still writes those letters that start out
"Hiya Honey,"

STARASTU is a beautician and works on people's faces; ROY BAKKEN invented an electric car that wins in all drag races.

HAUTSCH'S artistic talents have won him fortune and fame:

And BANNON'S Electric Fix-it Shop puts all others to shame,

ZELENCIK and SCHMIDT own a beauty salon for helping red hair hags; JAMES is a thriving tobacco farmer producing Sano Fags,

Our class now has a doctor's wife; her name is DARLEEN LILLY;

While TOMMY SMITH'S a comedian and is always acting silly.

GORSICH and HILBRICH are married now and have children around galore; With political graft you'll never find ERNIE BART HOLO-MEW poor,

COOK is always staying home washing dirty dishes; While MORGAN is out to win the bread by digging lots of ditches.

SURY is a famous detective now and carries a great big gun; He'll make JIM GATLIN sorry for the things that he has

done.

PARKER'S down in Africa making out just like the savages;
While Big BILL ORBAN owns a farm and raises fields of cabbages.

The Future's Annals now we close With our best wish for you, And if our judgments go astray Blame Ryckman, Hautsch, and La Noue.

SENIOR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

1. John Adeisperger, do hereby will and bequeath my ability, which is long lost, to my neighbor and good friend, Janet Jones.

I, Jim Ahrens, do hereby will and bequeath my curly

hair to Danny Johnsen,

1, Ronald Austgen, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to sleep in economics to anyone who doesn't get enough sleep.

1, Nancy Backs, do hereby will and bequeath my ability

to get along with Miss Beanblossom to Pat Roberts and

Diane Pierce. 1, Roy Bailey, do hereby will and bequeath, to anyone

who wants it, my ability to make life long enemies. . I, Roy Bakken, do hereby will and bequeath, to all

junior boys and athletes, my ability to resist attacks from effervescent females, I. Edmund Bannon, do hereby will and bequeath my

nickname, "TIGER", to any junior boy who thinks he can live up to the name.

I, Frank Barnett, do hereby will and bequeath my cross country ability to Jarrard Ashmore, I, Ernest Bartholomew, do hereby will and bequeath

my tremendous running stride and fantastic finishing kick in cross country to Jarrard Ashmore.

I, Emerson Benbow, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get out of the "Loop" and into Griffith in 35 minutes to Tom Dugger.

I, Bill Bennett, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to "mess up" in basketball to John Parker.

I, Iris Black, do hereby will and bequeath my long hair

to Carol Backs. Take good care of it! Kenneth Bodnar, do hereby will and bequeath my first traffic ticket to Jerry Lynn Dewell,

I, Judy Branch, do hereby will and bequeath all the trials and tribulations of tha Annual and the senior year

to Janet Moats. I, Barbara Brill, do hereby will and bequeath my uninteresting psychology book to Mr. Sobieralski.

I, Bob Brown, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get a D- in economics to Phil Larson,

I, Carol Campbell, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to stay in class for at least a week to my brother, Maurice.

1. Barbara Casey, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get along with Mr. Beck and grade his eco-

nomics test papers to anyone who wants it, I, Darla Cones, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get into trouble to my sister, Diana.

I, Phyllis Cook, do hereby will and bequeath my wiggly

evebrow to Beverly Seat.

I, Ronnie Cox, do hereby will and bequeath my curly hair and my ability to always be broke to Tom Dugger. I, Richard Crowel, do hereby will and bequeath my pinball machine playing ability to Jerry Kenealy.

I, Geza Cseri, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to speak French to Floyd Pederson.

I, David Dale, do hereby will and bequeath my skill as G. H. S. Drum Major to anyone tall and stupid --Blaine Warner.

I, Robert Dallman, do hereby will and bequeath the fun and all the luck the class of "55" has had to the class of "56."

I, Betty Dertow, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to keep my mouth shut in Mr. Stanczak's class to any-

one who can do it. I, Jack Dobyns, do hereby will and bequeath my ath-

letic abilities to any poor boy in need of such. I, Dennis Dolak, do hereby will and bequeath my educated toe to Herman Genter,

I, Norma Eastwood, do hereby will and bequeath my power to control my temper to Carol Puent,

I, Darlene Edwards, do hereby will and bequeath my seat in the Nook to Tom Crowel. I, Lorraine Faulkner, do hereby will and bequeath my

favorite English teacher to all future sophomores, I, Larry Fitzsimmons, do hereby will and bequeath all , my art and craft abilities to Carolyn Reel.

'I, Frederick Foss, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get along with Mr. Evrard to any incoming biology or chemistry student.

I, Phyllis Francis, do hereby will and bequeath my graceful "swing" while marching to Luwanda Carman, 1, Charles Franklin, do hereby will and bequeath my football jersey to Jerry Elliot. I, Joan Fritz, do hereby will and bequeath my place in

Miss Bonney's Glee Club class to Judy Stockwill, 1, Homer Gatlin, do hereby will and bequeath my skill

of driving with one arm to Bill Wells, I, James Gatlin, do hereby will and bequeath my abili-

ty to study and try to pass a bookkeeping test to Beth Smeltzer I. Marilynn Gebert, do hereby will and bequeath my

fun at G. H. S. to my brother, Bob. I, Matt Gorsich, do hereby will and bequeath my fasci-

nating night eye to anyone who thinks he can control

I, Janet Govert, do hereby will and bequeath my height to Gerry Scherer,

I, Tom Govert, do hereby will and bequeath my running ability in cross country to the one and only John "Speed" Parker.

I, Al Green, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to sit on the bench, without getting splinters, to Howard Mack

I, Raymond Green, do hereby will and bequeath my false teeth to Gerald Elliott,

I, Carleen Greene, do hereby will and bequeath my job at the Nook to Sandra Summers,

I, John Greger, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to collect black eyes to Bernard Cechovic.

I, Bill Grimm, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to do my assignments 5 minutes before they are due to Pat Doeing,

Mary Lou Griscom, do hereby will and bequeath my fun at G, H. S. to my sisters, Genny and Betty.

I, Adria Ann Gullickson, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get along with Mr. Beck to my sister, Iris Rae. I, Richard Harbrecht, do hereby will and bequeath my

miserable cornet playing ability to Larry Meier, Jack Harder, do hereby will and bequeath my abilities in sports to my brother, John.

I. Don Hautsch, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get poison ivy in cross country to any freshman who wants to start from "scratch."

I, Mary Ann Hilbrich, do hereby will and bequeath my flirtatious ability to Adrianne Barouet, I, Norman Holmes, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability to get along with Mr. Evrard, in chemistry, to some unfortunate soul. I, Gracielee James, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability not to smoke to the junior girls. I, Jo Allyn Janzig, do hereby will and bequeath my

seat in psychology to anyone who can look Mr. Sobieralski straight in the eye without laughing. I. Mary Ann Jasek, do hereby will and bequeath all the

secrets I found in G. H. S. to Gerry Scherer. I, Dean Jenkins, do hereby will and bequeath my abili-

ty to be rough, tough, and hard to bluff, and still stay out of trouble to David Kingen. I. Gerald Kellams, do hereby will and bequeath my

great grades, and my good "luck" in school to my brother, James. I, John Kellerman, do hereby will and bequeath the

honor of becoming a senior to Dick Hopp.

I, Ronnie Koedyker, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to drive safely and keep within the law to Darwin Koedyker,

I, George Richard LaNoue, dohereby will and bequeath my class "A" caddy pin to Bill Martz,

We, Mary Francis Lantrip and Rita Mann, do hereby will and bequeath our driving ability to anyone who can keep the car on the right side of the road,

1, Darlene Lilly, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get along with Mr. Murphy to my sister,

l, Don Markwalder, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to drive a car to Danny Boltz. I. Renee Mattingly, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability to go steady seven different times to Betty Mohoi I, Mary Ann McGee, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability to play football to my brother, Joe.

I, Pat McKeown, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to laugh at Mr. Sohn's JOKES to all present and future band members.

l, Norman Moore, do hereby will and bequeath all of my sincerity and appreciation to Mr. Ready for his help in my 4 years at G. H. S.

l, Don Morgan, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to come in 2nd-to-last in cross country to anyone who can beat John Parker,

1, Walter Mose, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get straight A's in shop to Jim Dye.

I, Richard Munier, do hereby will and bequeath all my inability to get along with "certain" people.

I, Marilynn Murray, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get along with sophomore boys to any junior girl who wants it.

I, Mary Ann Mussatt, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to go steady with the same boy, for two years,

to Sandy Jens and Jo Ann Thiel, I, Jean Myers, do hereby will and bequeath my cane to Mr. Murphy to catch freshmen when they try to sneak

I, Sheila Novotny, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to do the fox-trot on roller skates to Catherine Johnstone.

I, Pati Nyquist, do hereby will and bequeath my height and my natural blonde hair to Sonja Drexel,

I, Helen O'Neal, do hereby will and bequeath my height to Carol Oman and my ability to get A's in

bookkeeping to Sandy Mitchell, 1, Carol Orban, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to become a member of the "Hot Rod Association" to

Suellen Doane, I, William Orban, do hereby will and bequeath my artistic talents to Mary Spitz and all my gripes to Mr.

R. V. Wilson, Kay O'Rourke, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability to speak French to Sue Miller. l, Walter Parker, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability to make love to other fellows' girls to John Dawson. I, Gladys Penny, do hereby will and bequeath my a-

bility to pass government and economics to Judy Stockwill,

l, Bob Pfister, do hereby will and bequeath my seat in government, surrounded by nine girls, to Tom Redar. I. Dwight A. Phillips, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability to make new friends to "Tiny" Britton, I. Marty Pisut, do hereby will and bequeath my hitting

ability in baseball to Jack Ledbetter. I, Joann Pitt, do hereby will and bequeath my short

hair cut to Barbara DeVries. l, Mary Catherine Reder, do hereby will and bequeath

my long hair to Judy Coil. I. Adrienne Roehrick, do hereby will and bequeath my

freckles to Betty Wickstrom. Marilynn Ross, do hereby will and bequeath my a-

bility to go steady with just one boy at a time to my sister, Nancy. I, David Ryckman, do hereby will and bequeath my

ability to blast on the baritone to David Young. I, Joyce Sabina, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to refrain from talking in Mrs. Pease's classes to

anyone having enough will power not to do so. I, Mike Sabo, do hereby will and bequeath my crew hair cut to Tom Pisut.

I, Betsy Schauss, do hereby will and bequeath the fun I have had in G. H. S. to Gale McLain and my sister. Ginny. I. Sandy Schmidt, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to last for 3 years of cheerleading to any ambitious Junior Varsity Cheerleader. l, Robert Schumann, do hereby will and bequeath my

shop foremanship to Dick Hopp. I, Ronald Scofield, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to "make out" with freshmen to Dean Meyers. 1, Nancy Shaddick, do hereby will and bequeath my

daily orange drink at the Nook to George Bowman, I, Helen Siegel, do hereby will and bequeath the ability to have fun and not get homework done to Kennie Ruwald.

, Norman Smith, do hereby will and bequeath my ability of getting along with anyone who is willing to get along with me to Ray Williams

I, Eileen Starastu, do hereby will and bequeath my athletic abilities to Jo Ann Swienconek,

1, Rochelle Stockwill, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to daydream to anyone who can keep from do-I, Toni Stross, do hereby will and bequeath my abili-

ty to put off things to Mr. Stanczak, who suggested it. I, Pat Suroviak, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to keep unbleached hair to "Sonja."

I, Daniel Sury, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to play football to Dennis Spickard,

I, Jo Ann Sutherin, do hereby will and bequeath my ability of getting along with Dick Nyquist to Jeanette Turnquist,

I, Bill Sweeney, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get escorted from Mr. Bunce's history classes to the most deserving person I know of - Judy Barnett,

I, Joe Szurgot, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to be the first one down to the Nook to save a booth to Betty Mohoi,

l, Pat Tennant, do hereby will and bequeath my ability of washing and decorating the football shirts on Homecoming to Gerry Scherer,

I, Tom Thone, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to keep Mr. Sob eralski in a good mood by laughing at his jokes to anyone taking psychology next year. Carol Tignor, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to read Mary Ann Hilbrich's shorthand in public speaking class to anyone who thinks he can get away

with it. I, Gene Troxell, do hereby will and bequeath my Cap-

tain Video Ray Gun to "Tiny" Britton, I, Darlene Turnquist, do hereby will and bequeath all my abilities to anyone who can find them.

I, Carol Ann VanDerVort, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to dance around bonfires to the new cheer-

I, Pete Van Horssen, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to do nothing, and get caught at everything, to "Tiny" Britton.

I. Liz Verosik, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to have new clothes every day to Barbara Christian, who, I hope, will be voted Best Dressed Senior next

I, Marilyn Villars, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get A's in English to my brother. Gene.

I, Richard Vories, do hereby will and bequeath my a-

bility to get along with "Sonja" to "little" Mort. I, Christiana Waggoner, do hereby will and bequeath

my ability to "die laughing" in Mr. Bunces's selling class to Veonda Andrisko and Elaine Ford l, Shirley Wagman, do hereby will and bequeath my ability to get good grades in physical education to

Janet Welsh. I. Ruth Walker, do hereby will and bequeath my abili-

ty to prepare fancy dishes to Janice Blubaugh,

We, Nancy Wells and Mary Kay Zelencik, do hereby will and bequeath any good that any one can find in us to all the underclass girls.

I, Rita Wells, do hereby will and bequeath my ability and love for all sports to my sister, Judy. I, Alma Wood, do hereby will and bequeath my abili-

ty to get by with doing as little work as possible to anyone who is foolish enough to take it.

l. Judy Zimmerman, do hereby will and bequeath all the fun I have had in high school to my sister. Gail



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LOWELL	H*	38 - 0
VALPARAISO	A	21 - 6
DYER	H*	25 - 0
PORTAGE	A	27 - 14
MERRILLV ILLE	A*	27 - 7
HOBART	A*	6 - 25
WIRT	H*	34 - 6
CROWN POINT	Н	0 - 13
WEST LAFAYETTE	A	14 - 12
EDISON	Н	13 - 40

JUNIOR VARSITY



Row 1. Kenneth Butler, George Bredesen, D. Page Bennett, Dick Kosmoski, Darl Gatlin, Jim Dye, Mike Newhard, Bill Weddell, Tom Groga, Larry Butler, Row 2. Bob Baumer, Ken Hoot, Jim Kinsey, Dan Barney, Dwane Austgen, Walter Anderson, David McDermott, Dennis Sheets, Bob Mack, Ron Doan, Row 3. Dave Yalnake, Manager; Fred Jarard, Jerry Tignor, Dave Kingen, Byron Colby, Wayne Summers, Dennis Spickard, Jim Petoff, Tom Crowel, Tim Vandertuuk, Joe McGee, Jim Reyome, Injured. Row 4. Bob Wakefield, Bill Cook, John Criswell, Dick Nyquist, Gerald Dahlgren, Jerry Kenealy, Eddie Van Horn, Roger Komendat, Jim Kvasnica, Carroll Hipsley, Coach, Steve Stanczak.

Griffith's Junior Varsity, under Coach Steve Stanczak, had a 2-3-2 record against very tough opposition.

Playing the first game of the season, they held VALPO scoreless, but they

couldn't punch over either in a 0-0 tie.

The J. V.'s won their first game, beating a weak DYER team 19-6. Austgen scored twice and Kosmoski once.

Griffith lost to a good PORTAGE team 13-0, as the Indians scored in the last quarter.

Traveling to CROWN POINT, they beat the Bulldogs 18-0. Kenealy scored two on passes from Doan, and Kosmoski added the clincher in 3rd period and a 58-yard run.

MERRILLVILLE and Griffith battled to a 7-7 tie, both scoring in the 4th quarter. Griffith's touchdown came on a pass from Doan to McGee.

The J. V.'s defense performed admirably as they held E. C. ROOSEVELT in check for 3 quarters, but the powerful Roosevelt single wing scored 2 touchdowns in the last period for a 14-0 win.

Powerful HAMMOND NOLL beat Griffith in the season's final in Hammond 26-0.







Griffith opened the football season most successfully against the big Lowell Red De vils, beating them 38-0. The Panthers scored three times in the first quarter and ground out 414 yards in the game with Coach beck's Spitt. Touchdowns were by Gorsich (2), Holmes (2), Dolak (1), and Pisu (1), Griffith's line completely out-played the larger Devils.

Turning back Valparaiso's theats in the 1st period, the Panther's Gostich scored, giving Griffith a 7-0 hafftime lead. Dolak and Gorsich scored twice more before the Viking punched over to end the game 21-6. Vicious tackling by Griffith's secondary, led by Holmes, and good downfield blocking won the game, The Panthers played Dyer's Indians.

The Panthers played Dyer's Indians in one of our oldest and hardest fought traditional games. Dyer battled hard, but Grifffich turned the game into a rout for the second year in a row. Pisut passed 60 yards to Dolak. In the second half 60 yards to Dolak, be thind the blocking of the Panther's line, unleashed long runs for markers; in the 4th quarrer Gersich plunged over to make the final score 25-0.

Hampered by Key injuries, the Panthers gathered steam in the second half to whip a big hungry Portage team. The Indians moved easily for the first touchdown and scored once more, after Dolak caught a deflected Pisut pass to make the score 14-6. In the 2nd half the Panthers fired up for 3 couchdowns on Pisut - Dolak passes, a pass play that developed into a run by Holmes and a blocked punt by Foss for a 27-14 victory.

Merrillville, perennially tough, was no match for the determined Griffith team. The Panthers gained consistently in one of their best games and won it

In the title game, after a week of flood fighting, Griffith was beaten at Hobart. The Brickles single wing on the muddy field proved too much for the Panthers. Although Griffith lead in every statistic, the score read 25-6.

Homecoming and Coach Beck's 20th year in coaching were celebrated most convincingly, 34-6. Injury riddled Gary Wirt gained only 10 total yards, while the Panthers had 194 yards and made 5 touchdowns.

Crown Point's fighting Bulldogs upset Griffith as the Panthers fumbled 8 times. C.P. got two quick touchdowns in the first quarter and won the game 13-0.

The Panthers journeyed to West Lafayette to play the Red Devils. Holmes scored on a shorr plunge, but the Devils led at the half 12-7. The Panthers fought back on a long touchdown drive, capped by Dolak, who also kicked both extra points, and won the game 14-12.

Champion Gary Edison defeated Griffith in the last game of the season since 1950, winning 7 games and losing 3. Although we only lost 1 conference game, we tied for third place with Hobart in the power-packed Calumet Conference. Dolak was "Most Valuable 1954" All Conference, and honorable mention "All State"; Gorsich was "Most Valuable" 1953, conference's leading ground gainer, "2nd string All Conference 1953". and honorable mention "All State"; Gregor, honorable mention "All State" and "2nd string All Conference 1953"; Franklin, "All Conference"; Bannon, "2nd string All Conference; Austgen, honorable mention "All Conference"; and Pisut, honorable mention "All Conference".



















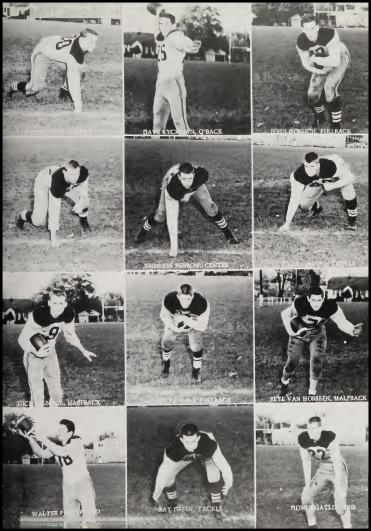












VARSITY BASKETBALL



Row 1. Dennis Dolak, Jack Harder, Dave Pauline, Jarrard Ashmore, Frank Barnett. Row 2. John Sejda, Tom Govert, Dean Myers, Ernie Bartholomew, Don Morgan, Coach C. L. Sanders.



Griffith	31	Roosevelt	56
Griffith	80	Dyer	42
Griffith	57	Gary Wirt	36
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Griffith	83	Hebron	51
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Griffith	47	Gary Edison	41
Griffith	68	Lowell	45
	57	East Gary	43
	50	Morocco	38
	44	Merrillville	48
Griffith	53	Hobart	21
Griffith		Portage	
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Griffith		Crown Point	

Sectional Tourney To be played Feb. 24-5-6

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL



Row 1. Tom Dalby, Manager, Gene Villars, Jim Dye, Ron Knight, John Dawson, Darl Gatlin, Willis Ivers, Bob Gordon, David Yahnke, Manager. Row 2. Emery Graves, Dave Beckner, Jim Reyome, John Parker, Don Creamer, Blaine Warner, Ron Doan, Don Morton, Tom Grogg, Manager. The Junior Varsity won the Calumet Township Tournament for the second time it its three years.



SCHEDULE

Griffith	25	Roosevelt of Gary	26
Griffith	61	Dyer	26
Griffith	56	Gary Wirt	30
Griffith	47	Culver Military A.	49
Griffith	45	Gary Edison	24
Griffith	44	Hebron	25
Griffith	43	Thornton Fractional	
Griffith	41	Lowell	21
Griffith	24	E.C. Roosevelt	21
Griffith	44	East Gary	30
Griffith	47	Gary Tolleston*	30
Griffith	33	Morocco	21
Griffith	31	Merrillville	39
Griffith	45	East Gary*	20
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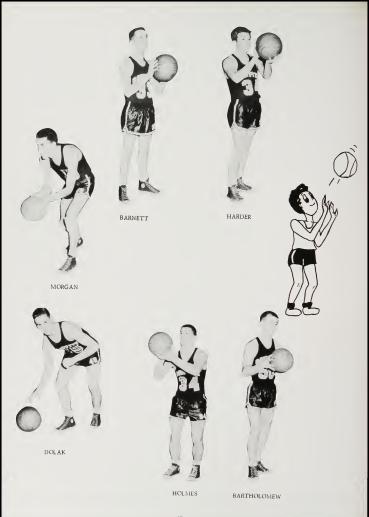
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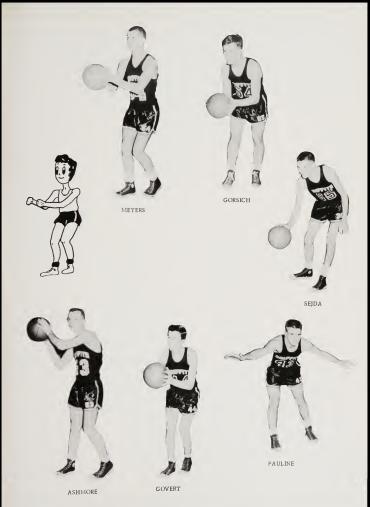
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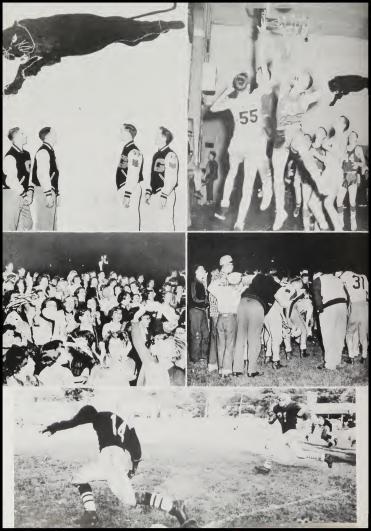




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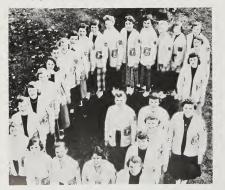
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